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SUBJECT: TKH Briefing

On January 26, 1967 Mr. Gaud, the Director of the Agency for International Development (AID) was indoctrinated TKH and [REDACTED] and briefed on the NRP by Mr. Reber. Participating in the briefing were Mr. Harry Murphy, CIA and [REDACTED] NRO Staff.

Mr. Reber introduced his briefing by explaining to Mr. Gaud that Dr. Hornig had asked Mr. Helms to arrange for the indoctrination. Mr. Reber carefully explained that while Mr. Gaud had been introduced previously to the existence of TKH material, he understood from State control officers that Mr. Gaud's actual exposure to such material had been minimal. Mr. Reber explained that this briefing would, in effect, constitute a reindoctrination.

Mr. Reber explained the significance of the briefing, relating it to the programs recently proposed by Agriculture and Interior in collaboration with NASA. He discussed early U-2 operations, moving through current capabilities with satellites, emphasizing the vital importance of the program as a most significant source of intelligence collection for national defense.

Mr. Reber related the 1960 Presidential direction dealing with protection of the product and the existing national policy on satellite reconnaissance. He specifically addressed the recent NSAM 156 Committee review of the political and security aspects of non-military applications of satellite earth-sensing and the reaffirmation of the validity of existing national policy.

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Mr. Reber explained the nature of the NRP, its organizational environment, and the functioning of the NRO.

Mr. Reber exemplified his briefing by showing Mr. Gaud several representative satellite photographic product boards.

He cautioned Mr. Gaud on the sensitivity of the information presented and suggested the probability of Mr. Gaud's becoming more closely involved as the joint NASA/Interior/Agriculture proposed programs for earth resources surveys entered the international development arena. Mr. Reber suggested that Mr. Gaud refer any questions as to clearances or the possibility of further discussions with cleared individuals to Mr. Denney or Mr. Hughes, who could assist in such determinations.

Mr. Gaud was asked to acknowledge his acceptance of this information by signing a statement prepared by Mr. Murphy.

Mr. Gaud was very attentive throughout the briefing, displaying both interest in and awe for the information being presented.

  
Lt Colonel, USAF  
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